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SANTA BARBARA, CA – The City of Santa Barbara and Santa Barbara County Public Works Departments is opening a joint Emergency Sandbag Station for City and County Tea Fire area residents desiring sandbags for protecting their property. The station will open at 7:30 AM on

Thursday, November 20, 2008 at the City of Santa Barbara's Corporate Annex Yard, **401 E. Yanonali Street**.

- The station will be open Monday Friday, 7:30 AM 3:00 PM until further notice, except on holidays.
- The station will also be open on the next 3 Saturdays 8:30 AM 2:00 PM (November 22 and 29, and December 6, 2008).
- There is No limit on the number of sandbags residents of the Tea Fire area may take.
- The Sand Bag Station will be Closed on Thanksgiving November 27, 2008 and the Friday after Thanksgiving November 28, 2008.
- Residents must fill sandbags. Bring gloves and shovels. (City staff will not be available to fill sand bags)
- Sandbags available to City and County Tea Fire area residents only.
- No contractors will be allowed to take sandbags.

For further information, contact Rick Fulmer, City of Santa Barbara Streets Manager, 805-564-5394.

As an alternative, the County of Santa Barbara, in cooperation with the City of Goleta, is also operating an additional sand bag station at the County Fire Station #14 at 320 Los Carneros, in Goleta. This sand bag station is open 24/7.